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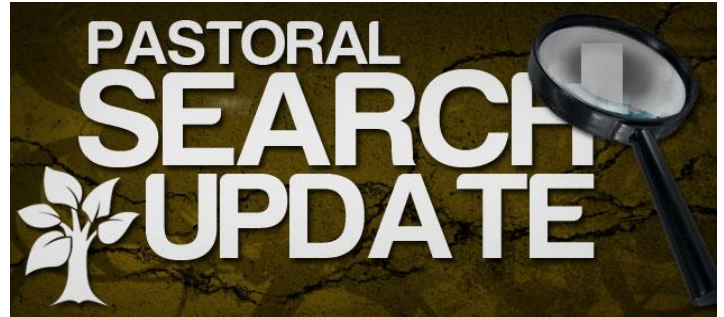
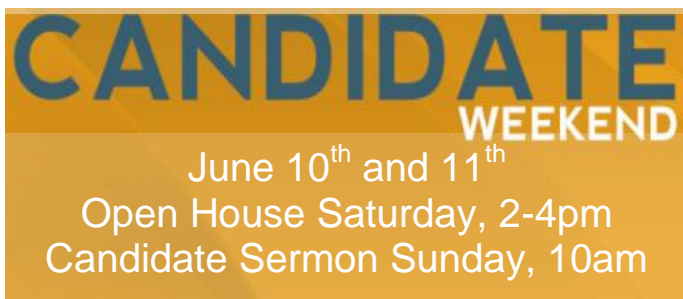
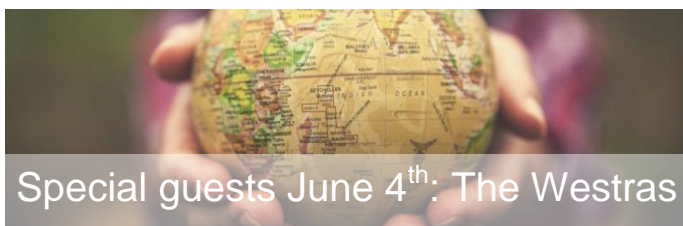
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"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."



The Pastoral Search Committee is pleased to let the congregation know that the Deacons have extended a formal Call Agreement to Rev. Ken McIntosh to be our next Pastor and spiritual leader! Though a number of committee chairpersons and staff had the opportunity to meet Ken in person during "Neutral Pulpit" weekend (May 19 – 21), we are now making preparations for "Candidate Sunday" weekend – when *all* members and friends are invited to meet Ken.

On Saturday June 10 we will have an open house / reception from 2 – 4 PM at church that is open to all members and friends who would like to meet Ken and Marsha informally. There will be appetizers and of course cake!

On Sunday June 11 Ken will lead our worship service and preach a "Candidate Sermon." Immediately following worship there will be a congregational meeting at which time members of the congregation will have the chance to discuss and vote regarding the Pastoral Search Committee's recommendation. If the congregation affirms Ken's Call Agreement, it will be finalized and plans will begin immediately for his late-August arrival as our Pastor. *(continued on page 2)*

(continued from page 1)) This marks the final phase of the search process and the Pastoral Search Committee feels confident that Ken will help to further our church's mission and work effectively across our diverse congregation and community. We thank you for your prayerful support and patience throughout the discernment process and encourage you to speak to members of the team in the coming weeks to answer questions or explain any part of the process.

Pastoral Search Committee:

Megan Apolito, Mike Baker (co-chair), Jeff Brown (co-chair), Louise Holmes, Joni Nilsson, Kelly Roller, Beth Stowe, Bill VanDusen, Karen Yax.



Knitting Ministry

Will meet Sunday, June 4th in the library following worship.



Serving at Salem

On the fourth Monday of the each month, our church participates in the Salem Nutrition Center noon lunch ministry, providing a meal for those who might not necessarily have a good meal otherwise. On June 26th, we will meet at the church parking lot at 9:00am and carpool to Salem UCC. We will eat lunch at Salem and return no later than 2:30pm. If you have any questions or would like to join us, please see Margot Badger for more information.

meet the Pastoral Candidate

We shared a few details about Rev. Ken McIntosh in our Sunday announcement of "Candidate Sunday," but thought it might be helpful to add to that as part of the June newsletter. Ken has a diverse ministerial background and has been the Senior Pastor at First Congregational Church of Flagstaff UCC for the past five years. Besides preaching to his UCC congregation each Sunday for morning worship, Ken conducts a Sunday *evening* service on the campus of University of Arizona (Flagstaff) in his capacity as Lutheran Campus Minister.

Though based in Flagstaff for the past twelve years, Ken was Senior Pastor to First Christian Church in Binghamton. Besides traditional ministry, Ken has for many years taught Comparative Religion at Community College and has written a number of Young Adult titles for library publishers.

Ken's most recent publication – *Water from an Ancient Well – Celtic Spirituality for Modern Life* – is a very accessible invitation for us to consider ancient Christian traditions in ways that broaden our perspective of how Christianity can embrace the entire world. Many of the Pastoral Search Committee have read and appreciated how Ken's book and teaching background can enrich our own congregation's adult education program.

Ken's wife, Marsha has a teaching background and has also collaborated on research supporting a number of Young Adult Titles and even visited western NY to research the Iroquois / Haudenosaunee as part of a series on native people of North America. The child of missionary parents, Marsha was born in the Philippines and spent a number of her high school years in Peru. Ken and Marsha have two adult children – a daughter in Binghamton and son in Chicago.

from interim MINISTER

“Getting Ready for Change” from the intentional interim minister, Rev. James K. Boodley

At the end of my time working as a sabbatical fill-in at my first congregation, I told the group they were one of the best with which I'd ever worked and predicted a wonderful future for them. When their permanent pastor returned from her sabbatical, she told me that all hell broke loose after I left, with fights among the members which went on for months afterward. The pastor asked her members why they didn't fight while I was there. They replied, "J.K. thought we were perfect and we didn't want to ruin his opinion of us."

Since then, I don't tell congregations how wonderful or ideal I think they might be. "In need of improvement" is my standard assessment of all of the congregations with which I've worked, including the United Church of Christ of Honeoye. Will your new minister enjoy working with you? Absolutely. Will he find you to be a high-energy group in which the members enjoy their time together, keep an eye out for each other, and seems to hold a special place in the heart of the community? Most definitely. The image of "herding balloons" still applies in my mind.

At the beginning of my time with you, I also used the imagery of a plant which had become "pot-bound," with roots circling the inside of the pot, having run out of space to grow. The only effective way to get the plant growing again is to remove it from its (confining) pot, break apart the roots, then put in a larger pot with new soil in which to grow. After over a year with you, I've come to realization that at most, I've shaken the pot a little, loosened up the soil a bit. You've really

only just started your transition away from life with Rev. Krause, even with the work we've done since Brian retired. To quote Winston Churchill, "Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."

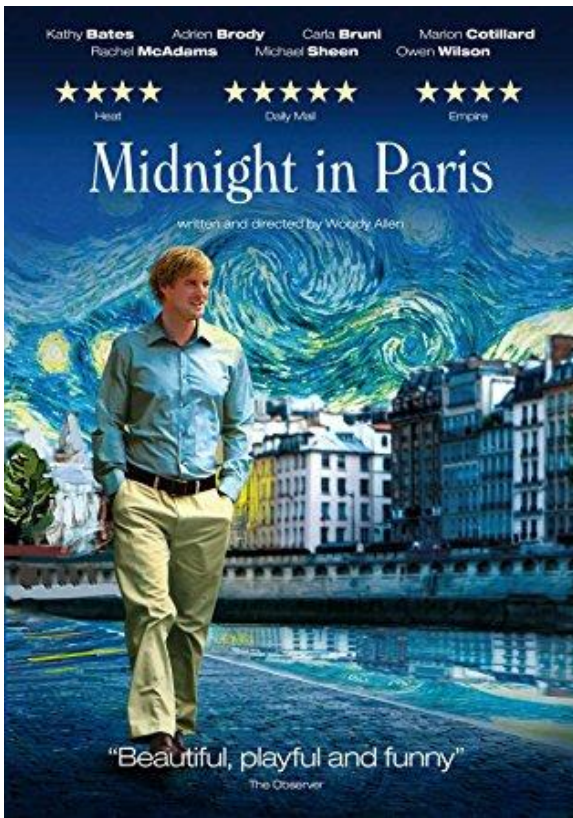
In listening to Jeff and Mike talk about their experiences of Rev. McIntosh during the announcements this past Sunday, I thought, "Their new minister-to-be sounds 'different.' I wonder how the congregation will react to 'different.'" There will, of course, be the settling-in phase, with lots of cooing and clucking as the pastor and his wife get to know the congregation and community while the congregation and community get to know them. The busyness of the new school year and then the holiday season will soon follow. You'll have a bit of a breather after the beginning of the year but Lent, Easter and Pentecost will follow quickly. Throughout that time, though, your new minister will share with you a fresh perspective – and new ways of doing the work of the church. And they will be different than what you experienced with Brian and with me.

My question for you: "Will you embrace 'different' and see it as an opportunity for genuine growth?"

In July and August, I'll share some thoughts about what "genuine growth" requires vs. maintaining the status quo and thinking that water, sunshine and perhaps a little Miracle Gro are all that are required for a pot-bound plant to thrive.

Here's a preview: They're not.

In faith,
J.K.



Midnight in Paris

You are welcome to join our monthly “Dinner & a Movie” on Saturday evening, June 3rd. Dinner is at 6 pm in the church dining room. Please bring a prepared soup, salad, bread or a dessert to share. At 7 pm we will move downstairs to our new amphitheater room which has a big screen and surround sound to watch the movie. Of course, we will supply the popcorn! Afterwards, we will return to the dining room for dessert and discussion of the film.

Last month, our viewing of **Midnight in Paris** suffered technical difficulties. This month, we will try it again with a different disc! The film **Midnight in Paris** follows Gil Pender (Owen Wilson), a screenwriter and aspiring novelist as he vacations in Paris with his fiancée (Rachel McAdams). He has taken to touring the city alone, and on one such late-night excursion, Gil encounters a group of strange -- yet familiar -- revelers, who sweep him along, apparently back in time, for a night with some of the Jazz Age's icons of art and literature. The more time Gil spends with these cultural heroes of the past, the more dissatisfied he becomes with the present.

This will be the last Dinner and a Movie until September 9th. If you have any suggestions for a fall/winter movie choice you can contact Don at honeyeyefoodpantry@gmail.com.



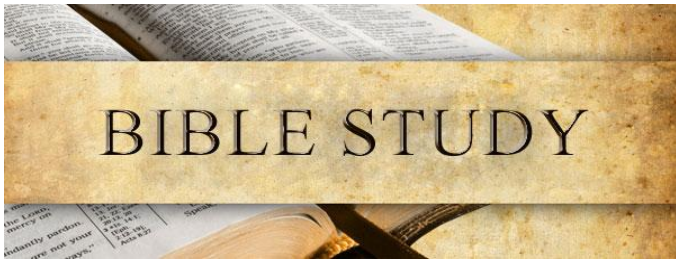
Church Membership / Contact Information

As the congregation gets ready to vote on the new pastoral candidate on June 11th, we'd like to confirm everyone's membership status and contact information. Please print, complete, and return the following information to the church office by Friday, June 9:

Name: _____ Spouse (if any): _____ Members: Y N (circle)
 Children's names (if any, attending church): _____
 Mailing address: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email (if any): _____

May we share your contact information with other church members? Y N (circle)
 May we share your contact information with outside groups? Y N (circle)
 May we use your and/or your child's picture on the church's website, Facebook, in ads, etc? Y N (circle)

Thank you.



On Tuesday mornings at 10:00am, a group of friends meet at the church in the Sunday school room to sip tea, laugh, and enjoy lively conversation regarding Scripture. This is a time honored tradition and they'd love for you to join! No prior knowledge of the Bible is needed- just a willingness to learn, discuss and laugh along. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Janet Arnold. The more the merrier!

June 4

Acts 2:1-21 or Num
11:24-30
Ps 104:24-34, 35b
1 Cor 12:3b-13 or Acts
2:1-21
John 20:19-23 or John
7:37-39

June 11

Gen 1:1-2:4a
Ps 8
2 Cor 13:11-13
Matt 28:16-20

June 18

Gen 18:1-15, (21:1-7)
Ps 116:1-2, 12-19
Ex 19:2-8a, Ps 100
Rom 5:1-8
Matt 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

June 25

Gen 21:8-21
Ps 86:1-10, 16-17 or
Jer 20:7-13
Ps 69:7-10, (11-15),
16-18
Rom 6:1b-11
Matt 10:24-39

- 1 Grayson Brandow
- 3 James Fulmer
- 4 Susan Kraft
- 6 David Fox
- 8 Debra Meek, Don Bennett
- 12 Darlene Tschorke
- 15 Garry Wohlschlegel, Madelyn Brown,
Betty Read
- 18 Gerald Turner*
- 19 Migna Gonzalez
- 23 Marcia Walter
- 24 Dianna Galante, Mark Andrews
- 25 James T. Fulmer
- 26 Peter Nilsson, Nancy Pease, James
Mitchell
- 27 Megan Badger Brandow, Genevieve
Johnson
- 29 Ruth Sauerwein
- 30 Zachary Krause

(* This beloved member of our community has passed. We have chosen to leave their name so that we may remember them on their special day.)



Visitation Committee

The Visitation Committee has been very busy this past month with several hospital and home visits, phone call, meals, and attending a memorial service for a former friend of our church. Please do not hesitate to request prayers, visits, or assistance for you or your loved ones. Louise Holmes (346-5761) and Carol Van Dusen (229-2280).



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Bell Choir meets on Mondays at 6:30pm. They will perform during worship service on Sunday, June 11th. There will be no rehearsal on June 12th or for the remainder of the summer. Rehearsals will start up again in September, so please be on the lookout in the bulletin and September newsletter. If you have any questions or are considering ringing in the falls, please see Kelly Roller. Thank you!

Choir Rehearsal

Choir meets at 8:30 on Sunday morning to rehearse, concluding on Father's day, June 18th; after which the choir will have the summer off!

Summer Special Music

With the choir, bell choir and children's choir having the summer months off, special music becomes an important part of our Sunday worship service. If you would like to provide music for a service, please see Nancy Pease in church or call her at 229-2225.

Children's Choir

Children's choir is done for this school year, but keep an eye out in the bulletins in August.



Thank you once again to everyone who made Youth Sunday such an inspiring, faith-filled day! Special thanks to Beth Stowe, Helen Johnson and all the volunteers who taught Sunday school throughout the year. Your energy, spirit, and willingness to share your time and talents with the children are much appreciated. If you weren't able to see the Youth Sunday presentation or if you need to smile we recommend that you take some time to check out the recording at <http://ucchoneoye.org/worship-services/>.

Summer Sunday Activities begin on June 4th

This year regular summer Sunday activities will be for children entering kindergarten to entering 5th grade. Older children are invited to stay in church and experience God's grace in communion with the adults in the church and younger children can go to the nursery.

Vacation Bible School Sundays – Save the Dates!

We are also looking forward to another successful summer of Vacation Bible School Sundays **for all interested children in the Church as well as friends and family members.** We do need to know who is planning to attend each Vacation Bible School Sunday in order to plan activities, gifts and snacks. Please keep your eye out for a survey available in church or contact a committee member to let us know who is interested in coming on which days. If your plans change as the date approaches just let any committee member know. Vacation Bible School Sundays will be July 16th and 30th and August 13th and 27th from 9:00-11:00am. Stay-tuned for more information about the theme and activities.

- The Board of Christian Education, Gail Baader, Gwen Rowley, Jeff Brown, Joni Nilsson, Sara Tompkins, Tom Taylor, Karen Yax, Melanie Youman and Kathy Kimber



Don and Maryjane Westra will be itinerating in the New York Conference in June. They have served the last 4 years with CEVER (Center for Vocational Education and Evangelical Reformed) in Yoro, Honduras. Sponsored by the Evangelical and Reformed Church of Honduras. CEVER's mission is to provide vocational education, such as welding, automotive repair and culinary arts to young people ages 14-30 with an emphasis on spiritual and moral development, Maryjane, a medical social worker has also been working with the church to reopen a rural health clinic whose mission is to provide basic health care and nutrition support to an indigenous community in Yoro.

The Westras will be visiting Honeoye UCC on Sunday, June 4th.

DON AND MARYJANE WESTRA

Don and Maryjane Westra have been appointed by the Common Global Ministries Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the United Church of Christ to serve with the Christian Commission for Development (CCD) and the Evangelical and Reformed Church in Honduras. Don is supported by One Great Hour of Sharing.

Don was born in LeMars, Iowa and grew up fixing tractors on his parents' farm.

EDUCATION:

Northwest Iowa Technical College, 1973, Mechanical Engineering Technology
McHenry County College, Milwaukee School of Engineering, 1977

EXPERIENCE:

1973-90 Coilcraft, Inc., Cary, Illinois, tooling engineer
1990-09 West Tool & Design, Fergus Falls, Minnesota, President/Owner
2009-13 United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe, Micro-Enterprise and Strategic Planning/Management Program, Mt. Selinda
2013-2015 Christian Commission for Development (CCD), Tegucigalpa, Honduras
2015-2017 Evangelical and Reformed Church of Honduras, Yoro, Yoro, Honduras

Maryjane was born in Madison, South Dakota and, as a preacher's kid, lived in many places, South Dakota, Connecticut, Minnesota and Illinois.

EDUCATION:

Northern Illinois University, 1976, Family Service
University at Illinois-Chicago, 1989, Master of Social Work
North Dakota State University, 2006, Certificate of Non-Profit Administration

EXPERIENCE:

1993-94 Lakeland Mental Health, Fergus Falls, Minnesota, case manager
1996-99 Village Family Service, Fargo, North Dakota, in-home therapy/adoption
2000-09 Permanent Family Resource Center, Fergus Falls, Minnesota, Executive Director
2009-13 United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe, Hospital Administrator which includes administration responsibilities at the Daisy Dube Children's Home, Mt. Selinda
2013-2015 Christian Commission for Development (CCD), Tegucigalpa, Honduras.
2015-2017 Evangelical and Reformed Church of Honduras, Yoro, Yoro, Honduras.

Don and Maryjane are members of Federated Church, United Church of Christ, Fergus Falls, Minnesota. They were married December 29, 1973. Maryjane has a sister disabled with autism, Martha Hartz, that they cared for along with their eight children; Evan, Jacob, Kristina, Glen, Mike, Luke, Mary and Vanessa. They have five grandchildren.

For more information, please contact the Missionary Relationships Program, Global Ministries at PO Box 1986 Indianapolis, IN 46206 or call 317-713-2571.



Are you ready for more of the 1970 Parsonage Renovation story? Here goes-continued from July, 1970.

Last time I told you we had six propositions to be voted on: #1, Minister rents a home; #2, Minister owns a home (both with church support); #3, Minimum remodeling; #4, Greater remodeling; #5, build a new parsonage; and #6, buy a different parsonage.

Motion was made and withdrawn that we keep the parsonage. Those for “keeping” had plan-A minimum at \$12,000. Plan B average at \$13,200 or plan C maximum at \$17,300. Those for “selling” also had three parts-buy, build or invest.

Tom Reitz moved that we keep the parsonage. Thelma Huff seconded with the suggestion we mark our ballots, “keep” or “sale.” The ballots were 29 keep; 6 sell, 1 blank. Motion approved!! Earl then suggested that a realistic vote should be between Plan A (\$12,100) or Plan C (\$17,300).

Marian McClintock (also a forceful personality) moved that we set an upper limit in expenses of \$8,000-discussion followed should we set a limit on just the amount or also designate how it should be spent. In his second of Marian’s motion Dr. Harrison Ward noted that the church was poor because we had spent all of our money on the education wing. There was more discussion but the result was yes, 6 vs. no, 31. Motion lost.

This time around Fred Tinker moved we vote the three plans again. Earl reassured everyone that whichever plan was chosen-if it ran way over budget-the trustees would come back to the congregation for instructions. Ballot this time was Plan A-13; Plan B-6; Plan C-17; and Blank-1.

The ballot was spread again for Plan A or Plan C. Results: Plan A-13; Plan C-24. Finally-“success”! Moderator Bob thanked everyone for cooperating in a democratic procedure. We left the meeting re-assured that

Mr. Hamlin (bank president) would be reasonable; the architect will be brought in to talk to the trustees, plans could be ready in a month; and the congregation would be kept informed.

At the September 1970 Council Meeting it was reported that bids are ready to put out to private contractors; the outside work should be done by November; the inside work within a month. By the November meeting the contract had been awarded to the lowest bidder-Glersky, from Honeoye Falls, for \$23,000. (Local contactors Durkee and Graham were not interested in bidding.)

Some changes had been made to the original plans-fancy bay window and patio plans modified; cellar and garage floors will be fixed later-resulting contract \$18,500.

By January 1971 the report was that the parsonage should be essentially completed by February 1st; the plumbing and kitchen cabinets are nearly done. The trustees are pleased with the way the work is being done; the builders had done some things as-lowering the ceilings to eight feet-better than the contract called for; copper plumbing is now installed throughout the house.

Forward to June 1971-Howard Barnard, trustee chairman-reported the “\$18,500 cost for fixing the parsonage was not sufficient. Some of the changes were to lay carpet throughout the house; pour the concrete in the garage breezeway, patio and sidewalk; storm windows and doors and change main electric panel (the architect had donated \$200 towards the carpets.)

(I remember washing the windows in the French doors that led into the enclosed porch from the dining room when we were expecting the Grahams. What a chore that was.)

In response to “why is all this necessary?”

Earl mentioned several reasons for keeping the parsonage-a minister would not have to decide where

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(continued from page 7) to live, which could be tricky in a small town; it is a nice location; close to the church; looks nice from the outside; land in back available for other use.

Guthrie Stone felt it better to rent a house in Honeoye. Don West said no places are available-people are asking all the time (Don worked at Rowley Real Estate.)

Betty Sargeant noted that we need to be proud of where our minister lives. If a minister purchased a \$15,000-\$20,000 home, thing of the equity the rent allowance could provide.

Ginny Denise feels we must make the decision if we are capable of going into debt \$25,000 more (we were still paying the education wing.) Doris Stone felt complete room arrangement would be like buying a Cadillac on a Chevrolet budget.

Jeff Huff questioned what we would have in 2-3 years even if we put \$20,000 into it now. Actually it would probably run 25-75% over budget.

Earl feels we have an obligation to the community. If we sell the house and it's allowed to run down, we are not fulfilling our obligations.

Jeff also noted it is no longer necessary for the minister to live within walking distance of the church.

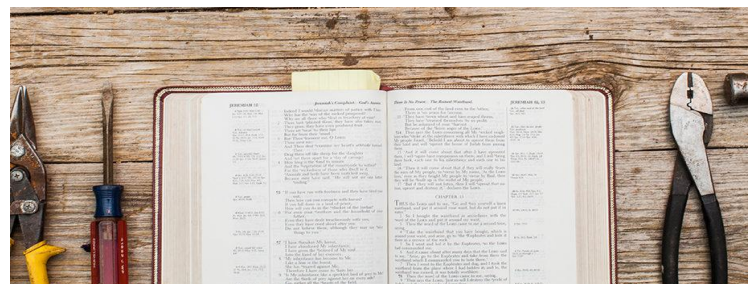
Earl noted the minister is in a better physiological position if he does not have to decide where he will live.

Guthrie Stone told us to look at this from a business point of view-this is the time to invest not borrow money; a minister should have freedom of choice as to where he will live; a new house would have fewer heat and repair bills; with an office in the church one is no longer necessary at a parsonage; we can't know that a person who buys it won't fix it up. With that I will end the 70's parsonage renovation-but-be warned-I still have a few thoughts about it!



We had our Annual Spring Sale on Friday and Saturday, May 12th and 13th...we generated \$2000 which includes \$100 from the bake sale. We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who was involved. *Thank you* to all of you who donated items, who helped with the set up and organization of items for 4 days, and those who helped in the big clean up. *Thank you* to those who were here during the sale to answer questions and direct people, and those who brought in baked goods. And last but not least, *thank you* to all of you who came and shopped. We couldn't have done it without *YOU*.

Thank you from the Spring Sale Sisters... Annie Bacon, Joan Hohmann and Jane Affolter.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that they have selected two co-chairs. Bill Van Dusen, who has served many times on the Board of Trustees, will be co-chairing with Jim Apolito, a newer and very capable addition. Thank you, Bill and Jim!

all around the COMMUNITY



The Honeoye Community Food Pantry

This month, a portion of the proceeds for our spaghetti supper will benefit the Honeoye Community Food Pantry.

The Food Pantry is housed at the Honeoye UCC and relies on donations, grants and Food Link to provide the community with access to nutritional items that many of us take for granted. They offer this service to anyone in the Honeoye school district, regardless of age, ability or income. The Food Pantry is open on alternate Saturday mornings from 9:00am-10:30am and relies on volunteers. In May, the pantry will be open on the 13th and the 27th. Please bring at least one reusable bag for the groceries and a piece of mail (preferably a utility bill) to prove residency if this is your first time requesting aid.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Don at 585-721-0009 or email honeyefoodpantry@gmail.com.

Senior Lunch Program

The Congregate Lunch Program offered by the Ontario County Office for the Aging continues to be hosted in our dining hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Anyone (and everyone!) over the age of 60 is welcome to join us for lunch, which is served promptly at noon. A \$3.50 donation is requested, but not mandatory. All are fed. A menu for the month of April has been posted on the bulletin board as you enter the church. This is a great opportunity to meet throughout the week and catch up with members of the community who might not necessarily attend our church. Reservations are required no less than 24 hours in advance-please call 585-396-4196 for more information. You can also find a menu at their website, www.co.ontario.ny.us.



HEALTHY COMMUNITY

**Ontario County Office for the Aging Presents:
“A Healthier Smoke-Free Community”**

On June 13th at 12:15pm, join us for a presentation by Bridgid Heenan, MPH of the Tobacco Action Coalition of the Finger Lakes during our Senior Congregate Meal. For reservations, please call 585-396-4796 no later than June 12th. Hope to see you there!



Ionia UMC Strawberry Social

Thursday, June 15th from 4:30-7:00pm will be the Ionia United Methodist Church's Strawberry Social. This annual tradition gives the community a chance to meet up and enjoy concessions like Zweigles's hot dogs, sausages, and hamburgers, as well as shortcake, salads, Read's locally made ice cream and of course-**STRAWBERRIES!**

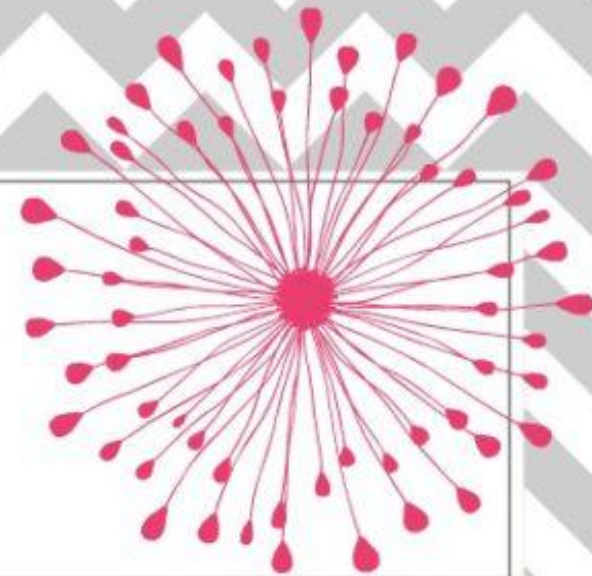
The church is located at 2120 Elton Road in Ionia. For more information please call 585-657-6984.

**GIVE BLOOD.
SAVE LIVES.**



**Honeoye UCC Blood Drive
Thursday, June 15th
2:45pm-7:45pm**

June 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 12p Sr. Lunch	2	3 6p Dinner & a Movie
4 8:30 Choir 10:00 Worship Westras Visit	5 6:30p Bell Choir 7:30p Council Mtg	6 10a Bible Study 12p Sr. Lunch	7 Spaghetti Supper 5p-7p	8 12p Sr. Lunch	9	10 9-10:30 Pantry 2-4p Open House for Rev. McIntosh
11 8:30 Choir 10:00 Worship: Candidate Sermon 11a Cong. Mtg	12	13 10a Bible Study 12p Sr. Lunch	14	15 12p Sr. Lunch 2:45-7:45 Blood Drive	16	17
18 8:30 Choir 10:00 Worship Father's Day	19	20 10a Bible Study 12p Sr. Lunch	21	22 12p Sr. Lunch	23	24 9-10:30 Pantry
25 10:00 Worship	26	27 10a Bible Study 12p Sr. Lunch	28	29	30	
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